

# CLARENCE VALLEY BIODIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## TERMS OF REFERENCE



**GOVERNING BODY / APPROVED BY:** Council OCM 22 February 2022 ITEM 07.22.012  
**FUNCTIONAL ALIGNMENT:** Environment and Regulatory Services

### SHORT DESCRIPTION

To provide a forum for persons and agencies with an interest in management of the Clarence Valley's biodiversity to offer knowledge to improve and promote the Council's strategic attention to biodiversity matters.

CSP 2032 Links	Delivery Program 2022-2025 Links
Social: I want to be part of a society that considers not only the current but future generations.	Objective 3.4: Establish Advisory committees to provide input into the planning of community assets
Environment: I want to live in an environmentally sustainable community that values and protects native flora and fauna, and natural systems we all depend on for survival now and into the future.	Objective 1.1: Improved ecological management of Council owned and managed reserves and environmental corridors
Leadership: More community members stepping up to help themselves and their community.	Objective 6.1: Deliver opportunity for community input into decision making through submissions and deputations

### PURPOSE

1. That biodiversity management professionals and interested community representatives collaborate to guide implementation of Council's *Biodiversity Strategy 2020-2025* and provide input to biodiversity strategy, policy and programs relevant to the Clarence Valley's biodiversity;
2. That Committee members promote Council's biodiversity management activities and Committee activity to their community or agency networks as well as to the wider CV community when sanctioned by the Committee;
3. That the Committee members contribute to community education and raising awareness of biodiversity and management within the Clarence Valley.

### MEETING SCHEDULE

The Clarence Valley Biodiversity Advisory Committee meets quarterly at a minimum, with the meeting day/time determined by the committee.

### MEMBERSHIP—up to 15

1. Two Councillors with one being the Committee Chairperson.
2. Two CVC staff active in biodiversity strategy or projects, including the Coordinator NRM and Projects.
3. Up to 8 community members, including at least 1 from a Clarence Valley biodiversity/conservation group, 1 from Clarence Landcare Inc or an affiliated group, 1 qualified ecological/bush regeneration industry rep (not paid), and 1 full-time farmer/rural producer with biodiversity interest; and:

A representative from each of the following NSW Govt agencies (or equivalent) - Local Land Services, Department of Planning and Environment (Biodiversity Conservation Division), and Department of Primary Industries - Fisheries/Marine Estate Management Authority

### CHAIRPERSON

One Councillor will be appointed by the Council as the Chairperson.

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## MEMBERS

**Councillors:** Council OCM 22 February 2022 ITEM 07.22.012

**Community Members:** OCM 26 April 2022 ITEM 07.22.072

Chairperson – Councillor & Deputy Mayor Greg Clancy

Councillor Member - Councillor Peter Johnstone

Stakeholder/Community Representatives –

<b>Nominee</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Comment</b>
John Edwards Shannondale	Yes	Clarence Environment Centre
Linda Wright Lawrence	Yes	Maclean Flying Fox Working Group and the CV Koala Working Group
Barbara Linley Maclean	Yes	Lions Club of Clarence – Environmental Conservation property owner
Peter Lake Ulmarra	Yes	Representative of farming interests
Laura Noble Kungala	Yes	Clarence Landcare Inc & CVCIA
Adrian Deville Minnie Water	Yes	Appoint for area representation
Joanne Cunningham Clouds Creek	Yes	Blicks Community Inc.
Phil Redpath South Grafton	Yes	Ecologist

## GOVERNANCE

See Clarence Valley Council Advisory Committee Handbook.